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I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ROLLER FOR THE THERMOMECHANICAL TREATMENT OF A WEB-SHAPED MEDIUM

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

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Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
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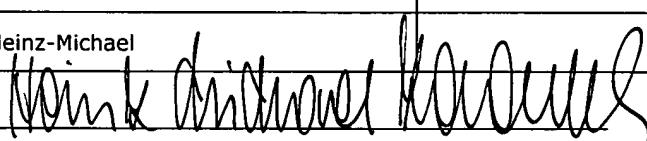
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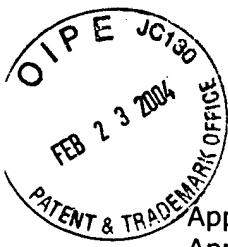
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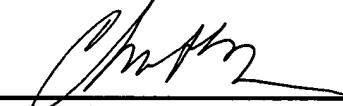
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A certified copy of the above-referenced application is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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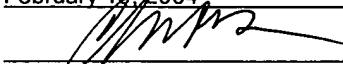
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